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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY VEST

INFO THE SECRETARY

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS), IT, VT
SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S VISIT TO ROME, SEPTEMBER 9-10 - SCHEDULING

REF: ROME 13637

1. VATICAN FOREIGN MINISTER CASAROLI TOLD SARROS
AUGUST 26, THAT AN AUDIENCE WITH THE POPE IS
PROBABLE FOR 4:00 P.M. ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10,
AND THAT HE WOULD CONFIRM THIS AUGUST 28 OR,
LASTEST, AUGUST 29, AFTER DIRECT CONSULTATIONS WITH
POPE PAUL.

2. WHEN SARROS EXPLAINED THAT THE SECRETARY WAS
AWARE THAT POPE PAUL IS AT HIS VACATION RESIDENCE AND
DID NOT WISH TO CREATE SCHEDULING DIFFICULTIES,
PARTICULARLY SINCE HE WAS ONLY STOPPING IN ROME FOR
A VERY SHORT WORKING VISIT AT INVITATION OF GOI,
CASAROLI WAS PROPMPPT IN SAYING THAT ALTHOUGH POPE
REQUIRED REST, HE WAS IN GOOD HEALTH AND WORKING
EVERY DAY.

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3. COMMENT: OUR IMPRESSION IS THAT CASAROLI WILL
URGE POPE PAUL TO RECEIVE THE SECRETARY ON THE
AFTERNOON OF SEPTEMBER 10. WE BELIEVE THAT POPE
AND CASAROLI WOULD BE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN
RECEIVING SECRETARY'S ASSESSMENTS OF SALT, HUMAN RIGHTS
ISSUES IN CONTEXT OF US-SOVIET RELATIONS, BELGRADE,

AND HIS RECENT VISITS TO MIDDLE EAST AND PEKING.

4. IF POPE CONFIRMS 4:00 P.M. AUDIENCE, WE FORESEE
DEPARTURE AT 5:00-5:15 P.M. WILL REPORT POPE'S
DECISION ASAP.HOLMES

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